

DDI-1682-73

9 October 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR: Paul V. Walsh, ADDI

SUBJECT : Coordination on DCI Reply to Chairman PFIAB re COINS

1. Your memorandum to me of 3 October proposed a redraft of paragraph 1 of our draft letter for the DCI. I have taken your views into account and have incorporated a good deal of your wording in a paragraph that is somewhat shorter than your proposal. Your version and my redraft are attached. Please let me know whether DDI can accept my redraft.

-- The difference between "small group" in my version and "small task force" in yours reflects no real difference. We can agree on an in-house group, with Directorate representation, but prefer not to highlight this to ASD(I). An ASD(I) representative would have to be involved at a later stage, however, or the DCI loses credibility in his community role. "Task Force" is a bit too formidable a phrase, when we are trying to play this down.

-- In order not to confuse PFIAB and ASD(I), I think it necessary to retain a reference to the so-called Malkin study. Again, this is largely cosmetic, and due to the fact that the DCI did agree that ASD(I) should be Executive Agent for COINS. Making too much of the new study we proposed as a personal orientation for Mr. Colby primarily could cause friction with ASD(I) and doubts as to DCI motives.

-- I have no trouble construing my shorter version as encompassing all that is in your draft. I think the DCI is better off with flexibility gained by not specifying as much detail as your draft lays out.

2. Your memorandum to me also recommended deletion, on the second page of my draft, of the subparagraph entitled Analytical Content. Attached is a redraft that I have done, to soften the initial paragraph. Can you accept this?

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Information Handling Coordinator  
DCI/IC

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Information Handling  
Coordinator, DCI/IC

If you accept my penned in changes in this paragraph, we can regard that as coordinated. I still object to including the paragraph on the Analytical Content, pretty much for the reasons I outlined in my original memorandum, plus some very solid reservations about making this kind of advertisement for something that may never come to pass and is possibly not a good candidate for computer applications. If you delete this "Analytical Content" paragraph, then you have DDI coordination.

*signed* 9 Oct 1973

Paul V. Walsh  
ADDI

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